

bolt held in respective threaded bores in the connector body such that [they extend] the at least one clamping bolt extends into the socket so as to clamp, via the socket insert, a connector inserted [therein] in the socket against [the] an opposing surface of the socket.

8. (Amended) A connector as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the [bolts have shearable heads with shear] the at least one clamping bolt includes a shearable head that shears off when [the applied] a torque applied to the at shearable head exceeds a predetermined value.

9. (Amended) A socket insert for an electrical connector having a socket in which, in use, an electrical conductor is received, the socket insert [being] comprising a tubular and deformable member[, and] having a at least one of a castellated or corrugated profile.

10. (Amended) A socket insert as claimed in Claim 9[, which is of] wherein the socket insert comprises aluminum.

11. (Amended) A socket insert as claimed in Claim 9 [or Claim 10, which] wherein the socket insert has a castellated profile.

12. (Amended) A socket insert as claimed in [any one of Claims 9 or 11] Claim 9, wherein [the] an internal surface of the tubular socket insert [is provided with] includes at least one of serrations or tooth-like formations.

Please add the following new claims.

13. (New) An electrical connector comprising:  
a connector body defining a socket therein;  
a clamping member coupled to the connector body adapted to secure an

electrical conductor within the socket; and

a socket insert positioned within the socket adjacent the clamping member, the socket insert being configured to be deformed by the clamping member into retaining engagement with the electrical conductor within the socket.

14. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 13 wherein the socket insert is substantially tubular.

15. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 14 wherein the socket insert has a castellated profile.

16. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 14 wherein the socket insert has a corrugated profile.

17. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 14 wherein the electrical conductor is received within the tubular socket insert to position the socket insert between the clamping member and the electrical connector and between an opposing surface of the socket relative to the clamping member and the electrical conductor.

18. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 17 wherein an internal surface of the socket insert includes at least one of serrations or tooth-like formations.

19. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 13 wherein the socket insert comprises aluminum.

20. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 13 wherein the clamping member comprises at least one bolt, the at least one bolt being positioned in a threaded bore in the connector body.

21. (New) A socket insert for an electrical connector, the socket insert comprising a tubular member configured to be positioned within the electrical connector and to be deformed by a clamping member of the electrical connector into retaining engagement with an electrical conductor within the electrical connector.

22. (New) An electrical connector comprising:  
a connector body defining a socket therein;  
a clamping member coupled to the connector body adapted to secure an electrical conductor within the socket;  
a substantially tubular socket insert positioned within the socket adjacent the clamping member, the socket insert being configured to be deformed by the clamping member into retaining engagement with the electrical conductor within the socket; and  
wherein the electrical conductor is received within the tubular socket insert to position the socket insert between the clamping member and the electrical connector and between an opposing surface of the socket relative to the clamping member and the electrical conductor.

23. (New) The electrical connector of Claim 23 wherein the socket insert has at least one of a castellated or corrugated profile.

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